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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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Total Claims	08	MINUS	08	00	x9 =	x 18 = 00
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> Respectfully submitted, BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP

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## <u>AMENDMENT A</u>

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Ex parte Quayle Office Action dated September 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated in the following pages.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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